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Honorable Olin D. Johnston Chairman Committee on Post Office & Civil Service United States Senate Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In your letter of 11 January 1956 you requested the views and comments of this Agency on S. 2875, which bill would revise the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, as amended.

Insofar as civilian employees of the Agency are concerned, we note that S. 2875 proposes to liberalize certain provisions of the Retirement Act, such as providing for (1) retirement at an earlier age and with less reduction in annuity; (2) increased benefits to annultants and their survivors; (3) reemployment of annuitants; and (4) coverage of certain temporary and intermittent workers who are employed for at least six continuous months. We perceive no security implications in the extension and liberalization of these benefits as proposed in S. 2875.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our views on this important matter.

We have been advised by the Bureau of the Budget that there is no objection to the presentation of the report to your Committee.

Sincerely.

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